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APPLICANT: Chen, et al.

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EXAMINER: Idowu, Olugbenga O.

TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING ACCESS PROTECTION  
IN A DIGITAL TELEVISION DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

**RESPONSE**

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 8, 2008 concerning the above-identified application and is timely filed within the three month shortened statutory period for a response. This reply is provided in response to the Office Action in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.111. Applicant submits the following remarks and respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejections made in the Office Action and to allow the claims to issue.

**Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.**